

IN THE CLAIMS:

Would the Office kindly amend claim 2 as follows:

1. (cancelled)
2. (Currently amended) A method of controlling soilborne pathogens in a soil having an organic carbon content less than 1.7% by weight, comprising the step of generating ammonia in said soil, said step of generating ammonia comprising adding a nitrogen containing material and a pH raising agent to said soil to raise soil pH above 8.5 to thereby generate said ammonia to control said soilborne pathogens.
3. (cancelled)
4. (cancelled)
5. (new) The method of Claim 2 wherein said pH raising agent is selected from the group consisting of calcium hydroxide, calcium oxide, sodium hydroxide, ammonium hydroxide, and potassium hydroxide.